HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE CHHATTISGARH : BILASPUR
DIVISION BENCH

CORAM : **HON'BLE SHRI JAGDISH BHALLA, Ag. C.J.**
HON'BLE SHRI T.P. SHARMA, J.

Writ Petition (C) No. 4871 OF 2007

PETITIONER

Shakeel Lohani, Age 40 Yrs,
S/o Shri U.D. Lohani,
Convener, C.G. Working Journalist Association (Reg. Body),
R/o Word No. 03, Dr. Sammual Ward,
Near Railway Crossing, Mahasamund,
Distt. Mahasamund (C.G.)

Versus

RESPONDENTS

1. Union of India
Ministry of Home Affair,
Govt. of India, New Delhi
2. The State of Chhattisgarh,
Through The Chief Secretary,
D.K.S. Bhawan,
Raipur (C.G.)
3. The State of Chhattisgarh,
Through The Secretary,
G.A.D./Home, D.K.S. Bhawan,
Raipur (C.G.)

Writ Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India.

Present : Shri J.A. Lohani, counsel for the petitioner.
Shri Bhishma Kinger, Standing Counsel for Union of India.
Shri Prashant Mishra, Advocate General for the State.

ORAL ORDER
(Passed on 14th January, 2008)

The following oral order of the Court was passed by

Hon'ble Shri Jagdish Bhalla, Ag. C.J.

Learned Advocate General has informed this Court that cognizance has been taken of all the points raised by the petitioner and necessary instructions have been issued. It has been further pointed out that all efforts are being made for bringing awareness in the public at large to show respect to the national flag.

Shri Bhishma Kinger, learned Standing counsel for Union of India informed that Government of India has also issued strict instructions to all the States of the country to ensure respect to the national flag.

It is the duty of every citizen of India to show respect to the national flag and ensure that there is no disrespect of the national flag by anyone. It is clarified that in case the petitioner finds any disrespect being shown by any Indian, he may approach the appropriate forum prescribed under the law for taking action against the said person. In the light of above, no further direction is required to be issued by this Court.

With the aforesaid observations, writ petition is disposed of.

Sd/-
Jagdish Bhalla
Ag. Chief Justice

Sd/-
T.P. Sharma
Judge